

Amendment dated February 24, 2004  
Reply to Office Action of August 18, 2004

**PATENT**  
Thought, Inc. Attorney Docket No.: 0036-023  
Serial No. 10/045,894

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of :  
Ward Mullins et al.

Serial No.: 10/046,894

Group Art Unit: 2171

Filed: January 17, 2002

Examiner: Nguyen, Cam Linh T

**For: System, Method and Software for Creating or Maintaining Distributed  
Transparent Persistence of Complex Data Objects and Their Data  
Relationships**

**RESPONSE**

The Honorable Commissioner  
of Patents and Trademarks  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 24, 2004, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Drawings** are reflected in replacement drawings sheets.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims that  
begins on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this document.

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